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1. LIBYAN MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS TRAYKI SUM-MONED ME (AT SEBHA) 1 MARCH TO EXPRESS SERIOUS CONCERN OF LARG OVER PRESENCE OF TUNISIAN NAVAL SHIP IN DISPUTED OFFSHORE AREA. HE SAID LARG WAS WELL ACQUAINTED WITH TUNISIAN NAVAL FORCES, AND SIZE OF SHIP LED HIM TO BELIEVE IT WAS NOT TUNISIAN BUT POSSIBLY US SHIP FLYING TUNISIAN FLAG. I TOLD HIM THIS WAS HIGHLY UNLIKELY BUT THAT I WOULD PASS ON LARG CONCERN. TRAYKI CONCLUDED BY SAYING LIBYA WANTED GOOD RELATIONS WITH TUNISIA AND WAS HOPING TO SETTLE OFFSHORE DISPUTE THROUGH WORLD COURT. MEANWHILE, HE HOPED USG WOULD NOT GET INVOLVED IN DISPUTES BETWEEN ARAB STATES.

2. PITCH OF PRESENTATION WAS LOW KEY AND TRAYKI WAS FRIENDLY AND CORDIAL THROUGHOUT. CARLE

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